



# Crabtree Junior School

22<sup>nd</sup> June 2018

## The blogs

In addition to this newsletter, the blogs are a primary source of information from the teachers. They are updated at least fortnightly. Click on your child's year group to find out more.

**Year  
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## Weekly timetables

If you would like to see the current weekly 'overview' Literacy and mathematics plan for your child's class, please visit the school website at:

[http://www.crabtreejm.herts.sch.uk/teaching\\_learning/timetables.html](http://www.crabtreejm.herts.sch.uk/teaching_learning/timetables.html)

**This week's school value is:**

**"Peace"**

### Diary Reminders

**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June**

Year 6 School Journey

**Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> June**

4.45pm Athletics - SJL

### School Letters

PA News  
Crabtree Olympic Sports Day

Flyers sent home

Dear Parents & Carers

### **The positive benefits of outdoor learning.**

As I write my missive from afar, well Cheshunt actually, I shall attempt to bring together a few random thoughts about various forms of learning. We all know that off-site school visits and residential journeys provide children (and adults) with unique and very worthwhile learning opportunities. They also bring with them the inherent challenges and responsibilities of being outside the perimeters of the school environment. Whilst some schools now shy away from taking children out of school, I for one, would be extremely sad to see them slip from the school curriculum.

Children all learn in very different ways and recognising this is a key factor in the success of any school, whether in the primary or secondary sector. I have always believed that out of school activities play a most valuable part in preparing our pupils for secondary school where the opportunities to participate in trips, particularly in Hertfordshire schools are very rich and varied. Speaking as a parent I know that my own daughter has benefitted greatly from such trips, giving her confidence and skills in areas that simply cannot be replicated within the confines of the school premises.

The last few days have provided me with a wonderful insight into the ways in which our Year 5 children are developing. The Young Mariners trip has seen them engage in team building, collaboration, achieving beyond their perceived potential and taking responsibility for those things that mums and dads might normally do for them. Those of you who are parents of a Year 5 child will know that they have returned home full of stories and anecdotes that pay testament to the above.

Now as the Year 6 children prepare to depart for their trip to the Isle of Wight let's appreciate all the opportunities that our pupils have... and then be prepared to listen to their stories!

I look forward to seeing many of you at the school fair tomorrow.

Andrew Emeny

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## School Uniform Shop

Friday 8.50am – 9.30am

13<sup>th</sup> July

## Crabtree Community Noticeboard

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## E-Flyers

Luton Hoo Estate Children's Summer Holiday Workshops

Oaklands College Mural Competition

Lingua Fanatics Spanish & French Lessons

Heartwood Forest Summer Festival

## Sport

### Year 3 and 4 Cross Country



On Friday, we took a team of Year 3 and Year 4 cross country runners to Markyate School to compete against 7 other schools. The children really enjoyed their races, especially the Year 3s, because this was their first cross country. There was fantastic running from all the children with the majority of the children in the top 10 in each race! Thank you to everyone who helped transport the children.

### The District Kwik Cricket Tournament



On Tuesday, we had a fabulous day playing in the District Kwik Cricket tournament. There were 16 schools taking part, we played in Pool 1 against 7 other schools. We batted and fielded really well (with lots of 4s and 6s from many of the team) and also lots of wickets and catches. Unfortunately, we missed out on a next round qualifying place as we were in a very strong pool. Well done to the whole team.

### Roundwood Consortium Change 4 Life Festival



We had a great afternoon at Roundwood Park Secondary school on Wednesday taking part in a series of fun activities and races with 5 other schools. The Year 3 and 4s enjoyed themselves and worked really hard to complete all the different skills. Well done to all the children.

## Silent Auction for Jossie

The Silent Auction for Jossie is going really well and interest in the online auction is growing. We are going to collect in the Silent Auction folders on Wednesday evening and will be letting people know if they have been the successful bidder by the end of next week. The folders with the auction sheets will be available now at the front of the Infants' school building before and after school each day so there is a chance for a last minute flurry of bids to be made! Keep an eye on the online auction with 8 days to run – there are a couple of new items added, a red Lulu Guinness purse and a laser jet printer. We also have additional online auction items at the following link:

<https://auctionofpromises.com/cause.aspx?c%3d3646>

### Stars of the Week



<b>Cedar</b>	<b>Jasper</b> , for always being a wonderful member of Cedar.
<b>Rowan</b>	<b>Liam</b> , for a brilliant power point presentation and trying his best in everything. Well done for settling in so well, a Crabtree Star!
<b>Ash</b>	<b>Elena</b> , for an excellent contribution to RE lessons this term and for careful presentation of her written work.
<b>Birch</b>	<b>Micayla</b> , for her fantastic enthusiasm and participation in the Change for Life Festival. Well done Micayla.
<b>Elm</b>	<b>Freddie</b> , for learning some songs for our end of year assembly showing commitment and dedication.
<b>Elder</b>	<b>Sammy</b> , for writing a lovely story in English and trying your best to carefully edit it.

### Sports Champion

Christian for participating with great enthusiasm at the Roundwood Change for Life Festival.

### Challenge Champions

Year 4 children who supported the Infants Sports Day. You were all fantastic helpers, listened well and followed instructions. We are very proud of you, well done!



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